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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION AND RESPONSE TO FINAL Office Action

Dear Sir:

Introductory Comments

This Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and Response to Office Action is being filed in response to a final Office Action mailed on May 9, 2006 and the Advisory Action mailed August 18, 2006 for the above-referenced application. Since this Response is being filed on or before November 9, 2006, this submittal includes a Petition for a 3-month Extension of time to respond, the requisite extension fee, and the RCE fee.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper. Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.